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MISSION IN HAITI (MINUSTAH)

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Poloff delivered Ref A points February 17 to Carl Magnus Ericsson, Deputy Director of the MFA's International Security Department. Ericsson responded that he was surprised to learn that there was still a request for more military troops for Haiti as the Swedish UN Mission had reported some 2,000 troops had already been pledged. As for Swedish civilian contributions, three police officers and four prison officers have are currently being vetted by UNDPKO (Ref C); if cleared by UNDPKO, they would deploy as part of a DPKO "second wave" in the near future. Ericsson also noted Sweden's very substantial financial support to relief operations (third largest total amount, after the United States and Canada). As for military troops, Sweden is stretched a bit tight right now, having just sent an additional 30 to Afghanistan to complement the 500 already on the ground (Ref C). (Note: The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency also currently has some 30 people in Haiti participating in various relief teams.)
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